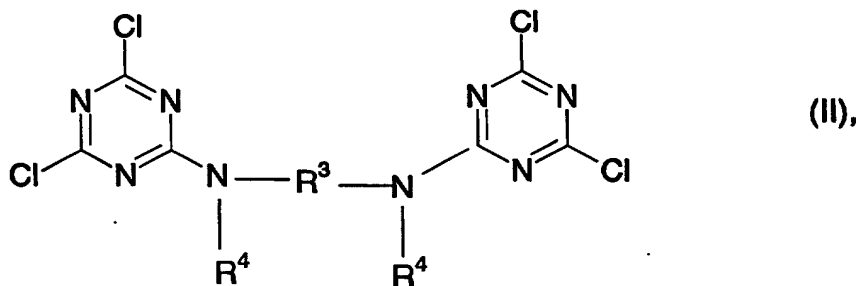


***What is Claimed Is:***

1. A method for the permanent flameproof finishing of cellulose fibers and articles containing cellulose fibers, comprising treating said cellulose fibers or said articles containing cellulose fibers under alkaline conditions, during which a swelling of the fibers occurs, and then treating the swollen fibers so produced with a cyanuric chloride derivative in an aqueous-alkaline phase, wherein a 4,6-dichloro-1,3,5-triazine-2-yl amine of formula I or II is used as said cyanuric chloride derivative:



wherein:

R¹ and R² are the same or different and are selected from the group consisting of: H; (C₁ – C₆) alkyl; benzyl; phenyl; ω-amino (C₂ – C₆) alkyl; ω-hydroxy (C₂ – C₆) alkyl; -(CH₂)<sub>m</sub>SO₂-OH or -(CH₂)<sub>m</sub>-COOH, in which m is 1 or 2, as well as their amides; -(CH₂)<sub>n</sub>-P(O)(OR')₂ in which n = 1, 2 or 3 and R' = H, CH₃ or C₂H₅; o-, m- or p-C₆H₄-SO₂NH₂; and o-, m- or p-C₆H₄-N(CH₃)₃⊕; or R¹ and R² together form an ethylene-, trimethylene- or bismethylene imino group;

R<sup>3</sup> in formula II is selected from the group consisting of: para- or meta-phenylene; 1,4-, 1,3- or 2,6-naphthylene; (C<sub>2</sub> - C<sub>6</sub>) alkylene; -C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-NH-C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-; C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-NH-C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-NH-C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-; C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-O-C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-; and C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-NHCONH-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>- ;

5 R<sup>4</sup> is selected from the group consisting of: H; (C<sub>1</sub>- C<sub>3</sub>) alkyl; aminoethyl; and aminopropyl; or both R<sup>4</sup> groups together form ethylene or propylene.

2. The method according to claim 1, wherein said 4,6-dichloro-1,3,5-triazine-2-yl amine is selected from the group consisting of: 2-amino-4,6-dichlorotriazine; 2-aminoethylamino-2,4-dichlorotriazine; 2-(p-benzenesulfonamide-amino)-4,6-dichlorotriazine; a salt, especially a halogenide of 2-(p-trimethylammonium-benzene-amino)-4,6-dichlorotriazine; bis-N,N'-(4,6-dichloro-triazine-2-yl)-p-phenylene diamine; bis-N,N'-(4,6-dichlorotriazine-2-yl)-(C<sub>2</sub> to C<sub>4</sub>) alkene diamine; and bis-(4,6-dichlorotriazine-2-yl)-aminoethylphosphonate.

3. The method according to either claim 1 or 2, characterized in that the cellulose fiber is a cotton or viscose fiber and that it is in the form of a flock, yarn, textile fabric or fleece.

4. The method according to either claim 1 or claim 2, wherein the 4,6-dichlorotriazinyl amine compound is used in an amount corresponding to 20 to 80% by wt. relative to the cellulose.

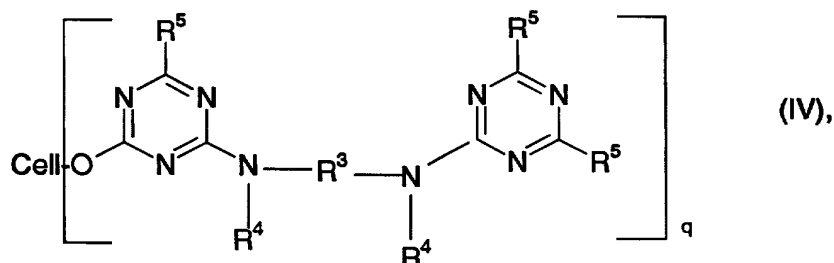
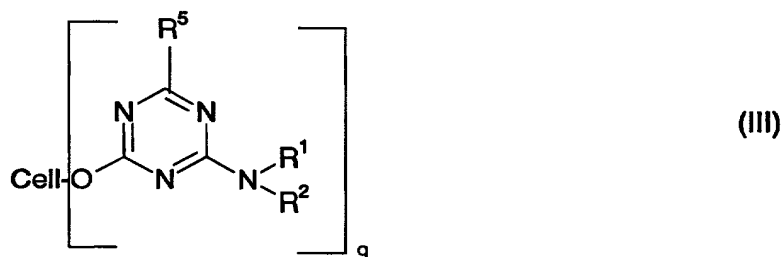
5. The method according to either claim 1 or claim 2, characterized in that at least one 4,6-dichlorotriazinyl amine compound is used in an amount corresponding to a nitrogen content of at least 2% by wt., relative to the finished cellulose.

6. The method of claim 5, wherein said at least one 4,6-dichlorotriazinyl amine compound is used in an amount of 3 to 7% by wt. relative to the finished cellulose.

7. The method of either claim 1 or claim 2, wherein before, during or after the flameproof finishing with a dichlorotriazinyl amine compound, said cellulose is additionally finished with a phosphorus-containing compound and wherein the phosphorus content during the additional finishing is at least 1% by wt. relative to said cellulose.

8. The method of claim 7, wherein said phosphorus-containing compound is selected from the group consisting of: dialkylphosphonocarboxylic acid amides and their N-methylol compounds; phosphonates; tetrahydroxymethylphosphonium salts; phosphates; hydrogen phosphates; and phosphorus-containing triazinyl amino compounds; and wherein said phosphorus-containing compound binds to the cellulose either alone or in the presence of urea or of a source of formaldehyde.

9. Cellulose fibers finished in a permanently flameproof manner and articles containing these cellulose fibers, characterized by amino-s-triazine compounds bound to glucose units of the cellulose via ether bridges and by the structure of formula III or IV:



wherein:

$R^1$  and  $R^2$  are the same or different and are selected from the group consisting of: H; ( $C_1$  to  $C_6$ ) alkyl; benzyl; phenyl;  $\omega$ -amino ( $C_2$  -  $C_6$ ) alkyl;  $\omega$ -hydroxy ( $C_2$  -  $C_6$ ) alkyl;  $-(CH_2)_mSO_2-OH$  and  $-(CH_2)_m-COOH$ , in which  $m$  is 1 or 2, as well as their  
 5 amides;  $-(CH_2)_n-P(O)(OR')_2$  with  $n = 1, 2$  or  $3$  and  $R' = H, CH_3$  or  $C_2H_5$ ; o-, m- or p- $C_6H_4-SO_2NH_2$ ; and o-, m- or p- $C_6H_4-N(CH_3)_3^+$ ; or  $R^1$  and  $R^2$  together an ethylene-, trimethylene- or bismethylene imino group;

$R^3$  in formula IV is selected from the group consisting of: para- or meta-  
 10 phenylene; 1,4-, 1,3- or 2,6-naphthylene; ( $C_2$  -  $C_6$ ) alkylene;  $-C_2H_4-NH-C_2H_4-$ ;  $C_2H_4-NH-C_2H_4-NH-C_2H_4-$ ;  $C_2H_4-O-C_2H_4-$ ; and  $C_6H_4-NHCONH-C_6H_4-$

$R^4$  is selected from the group consisting of: H; ( $C_1$  -  $C_3$ ) alkyl; aminoethyl; and  
 15 aminopropyl; or both  $R^4$  groups together form ethylene or propylene;

$R^5$  in formulas III and IV is selected from the group consisting of: Cl; OH; Ocell  
 in which cell is an anhydroglucose unit of cellulose; and  $OR^6$ , or  $NHR^6$  in which  
 20  $R^6$  standing for a dye group;

and wherein  $q$  is the average degree of substitution per glucose unit.

10. The finished cellulose fibers of claim 9, wherein  $q$  is 1-3.
11. The finished cellulose fibers of claim 9, wherein said cellulose fibers are in an  
 25 article selected from the group consisting of: yarn; a fleeces; and a sheet.
12. The finished cellulose fibers of claim 9, wherein said finished cellulose fibers have a nitrogen content of at least 1% by wt.
13. The finished cellulose fibers of claim 12, wherein said finished cellulose fibers  
 30 have a nitrogen content of 2 to 7% by wt.

14. The finished cellulose fibers of any one of claims 9, 12 or 13, wherein said cellulose fibers additionally contain a bound phosphorus compound.
- 5 15. The finished cellulose fibers of claim 14, characterized in that said fibers have a nitrogen content in the range of 1 to 7 % by wt. and a phosphorus content in the range of 1 to 7% by wt.
- 10 16. The finished cellulose fibers of any one of claims 9, 12, or 13, characterized in that they have an LOI value of at least 22.
- 15 17. The finished cellulose fibers of claim 16, wherein said LOI value is greater than 25.